Program A: Prison Enterprises

Program Authorization: R.S. 15:1151-1161

Program Description

The mission of the Prison Enterprises Program is threefold:

- 1) utilize the resources of the department in the production of food, fiber, and other necessary items used by the inmates in order to lower the cost of incarceration;
- 2) provide products and services to state agencies and agencies of parishes, municipalities, and other political subdivisions; and
- 3) provide work opportunities for inmates.

One of the main goals of Prison Enterprises is to maintain self-sufficiency, since no funds are appropriated to sustain its operations. Meeting this goal requires a constant balancing act between technology and labor-intensive approaches to the manufacturing process. In a prison setting, the number of jobs created is the focus, rather than pursuing the latest technology to reduce manpower.

Prison Enterprises has two activities: Industry Operations and Agriculture Operations.

- · Industry Operations The mission of Industry Operations is to utilize inmate labor in the production of low-cost goods and services, which reduce the overall cost of incarceration and save funds for other state agencies, parishes and local government entities. The goals of this activity are:
- 1. Ensure total customer satisfaction with Prison Enterprises' products and services.
- 2. Promote and expand private sector involvement in prison-based work programs.
- 3. Increase the volume of sales to parish and local governmental entities with particular emphasis on correctional institutions.

Prison Enterprises operates seventeen different industries located within eight different adult correctional institutions across the state. The major goal of these operations is to provide quality, low-cost products to the department, thus reducing the cost of incarceration. Inmates, who are normally a financial burden on taxpayers, work to produce a variety of products and services that actually save taxpayer dollars. Prison Enterprises strives to produce goods that meet or exceed the quality of similar products available on state contract, offering them for sale at lower prices.

- · Agriculture Operations The mission of Agriculture Operations is to utilize inmate labor in the production of vegetables that are fed to the inmate population, growing a wide variety of crops sold on the open market and raising stock. The goals of this activity are:
 - 1. Take full advantage of the resources, knowledge, and expertise of other state agencies involved in agriculture operations to improve Prison Enterprises' farming and livestock operations.
 - 2. In livestock, swinery, dairy, and farming operations, realize maximum productivity, manage the costs of production, and meet or exceed state and regional yields for similar operations.
 - 3. Maintain membership or join professional agriculture and livestock organizations to keep abreast of recent developments and advancements through training opportunities, periodicals, and published reports.

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Prison Enterprises raises over forty varieties of vegetables that are sold to the various prisons at substantial savings over open marked prices. Many are sold on the open market to generate revenue. Range herd operations at several different prisons produce cattle that are sold at public auction. The proceeds from these sales are used to procure less expensive cuts of meat for resale to the prisons for feeding inmates. While prison-based agriculture operations have not been historically profitable, they play an important role in the institutional environment: increasing inmate jobs, decreasing the number of security officers necessary to supervise the inmate population; and assisting in basic work ethic development among the inmates.

RESOURCE ALLOCATION FOR THE PROGRAM

MEANS OF FINANCING:	ACTUAL 2001-2002	ACT 13 2002-2003	EXISTING 2002-2003	CONTINUATION 2003-2004	RECOMMENDED 2003-2004	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	0	20,097,872	20,097,872	22,334,968	22,402,908	2,305,036
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	26,526,869	7,937,254	7,937,254	6,348,146	5,616,877	(2,320,377)
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$26,526,869	\$28,035,126	\$28,035,126	\$28,683,114	\$28,019,785	(\$15,341)
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST: Salaries	\$3,554,144	\$3,267,921	\$3,267,921	\$3,119,641	\$3,057,248	(\$210,673)
	\$5,534,144 174,736	21,875	21,875	21,875	\$5,037,248 21,875	(\$210,073)
Other Compensation Related Benefits	597.113	663,555	663,555	936,397	671.900	8,345
	18,791,636	20,478,967	20,478,967	20,991,140	20,478,967	8,343 0
Total Operating Expenses Professional Services	428,992	403,017	403,017	414,822	403,017	0
Total Other Charges	1,313,575	1,488,947	1,488,947	1,368,178	1,555,717	66,770
Total Acq. & Major Repairs	1,666,673	1,710,844	1,710,844	1,831,061	1,831,061	120,217
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$26,526,869	\$28,035,126	\$28,035,126	\$28,683,114	\$28,019,785	(\$15,341)
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AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	92	92	92	92	92	0
Unclassified	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	92	92	92	92	92	0

SOURCE OF FUNDING

This program is funded with Fees and Self-generated Revenues and Interagency Transfers derived from sales to state agencies, municipalities, parishes, non-profit organizations and sales of surplus farm products on the open market.

MAJOR FINANCIAL CHANGES

GENERAL FUND	TOTAL	T.O.	DESCRIPTION
\$0	\$28,035,126	92	ACT 13 FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003
			BA-7 TRANSACTIONS:
\$0	\$0	0	Description or None
\$0	\$0	0	Description
\$0	\$28,035,126	92	EXISTING OPERATING BUDGET - December 2, 2002
\$0	\$56,007	0	Annualization of FY 2002-2003Classified State Employees Merit Increase
\$0	\$57,297	0	Classified State Employees Merit Increases for FY 2003-2004
\$0	\$62,359	0	Risk Management Adjustment
\$0	\$1,831,061	0	Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$0	(\$1,710,844)	0	Non-Recurring Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$0	\$4,411	0	UPS Fees
\$0	(\$287,164)	0	Salary Base Adjustment
\$0	(\$72,999)	0	Attrition Adjustment
\$0	\$44,531	0	Group Insurance Adjustment
\$0	\$28,019,785	92	TOTAL RECOMMENDED
\$0	\$0	0	LESS GOVERNOR'S SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS
\$0	\$28,019,785	92	BASE EXECUTIVE BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004
\$0	\$0	0	SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTINGENT ON NEW REVENUE: None
\$0	\$0	0	TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTINGENT ON NEW REVENUE
\$0	\$28,019,785	92	GRAND TOTAL RECOMMENDED

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

\$115,710	Management Consulting Contracts to provide economic impact studies on Prison Enterprises operations; provides information from milk weight and
	information for sound management of dairy operations; provides programming for the Prison Enterprises computers; provides forestry management
	consulting for timber operations
\$90,000	Engineering and Architectural Contracts to provide technical assistance for construction and expansion of Prison Enterprises operations
\$80,807	Veterinary Services for animals utilized in farm operations
\$116,500	Other Professional Services to provide for consultation regarding formulations of Hunt Soap Plant products; agronomy and entomology consulting for
	LSP farm; provide consultation regarding improvements of Prison Enterprises transportation; provide for forestry consultant services; provide
	consulting services to assist in the license plate operations for Puerto Rico; provide for agricultural consulting services; provide consultation on Prison
	Enterprises rangeherd operations

\$403,017 TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

OTHER CHARGES

\$1,185,061	Incentive wages
\$10,718	Department of Civil Service, CPTP
\$748	Comprehensive Public Training Program
\$42,319	Legislative Auditor
\$1,238,846	SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES
	Interagency Transfers:
\$240,343	Allocation to the Office of Risk Management
\$76,528	Allocation to the Office of Telecommunications
\$316,871	SUB-TOTAL INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS
\$1,555,717	TOTAL OTHER CHARGES

ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

\$1,557,511	Training equipment
\$273,550	Repairs to equipment

\$1,831,061 TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS